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Second Judicial District Court Will Have Virtual Legal Clinics Every Month in 2021

Albuquerque, New Mexico, January 7, 2021 — The Second Judicial District Court’s Pro Bono Committee will host monthly Legal TeleClinics throughout the year 2021.

These clinic will allow individuals who cannot afford to hire attorneys to get advice on a wide range of legal matters including:

- Family law
- Landlord/tenant and other housing issues
- Public benefits
- Employment
- Consumer law
- Criminal record expungement
- Real ID/name change
- Wills, estate and probate
- Property/real estate
- Immigration
- Bankruptcy
- Contracts.

“The global pandemic has changed the way courts operate—causing most hearings to be held virtually, but it hasn’t stopped people from having to deal with legal issues. It has, however, made it more difficult for many people to get professional assistance with those issues,” said Judge Jane Levy, co-chair for the Second Judicial District Court’s Pro Bono Committee. “That is why the committee adopted the TeleClinic model last year, and we are continuing it this year.”

The clinics, scheduled for the first Thursday of each month, starting on February 4, will allow individuals to speak with attorneys about their specific legal issues. There will be no charge for these consultations. The Volunteer Attorney Program of New Mexico Legal Aid has recruited attorneys who have agreed to donate their time to staff the clinics.

Anyone wishing to attend one of the legal clinics can request a registration form by sending an email to audreym@nmlegalaid.org or calling 505-521-6129.

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